2015-2016 PROPOSED BUDGET RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

DEPARTMENT: Austin Convention Center

REQUEST NO.: 48

REQUESTED BY: Pool

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REQUEST: Please provide the number of contract employees.

RESPONSE:

The nature of the Austin Convention Center Department operations requires the use of temporary/contract employees, primarily in areas that are driven by the events as they occur. The Convention Center currently employs 13 project-based temporary employees and has a pool of 217 temporary employees utilized on an event-, or as-needed-, basis.

In addition, to supplement the pool of temporary staff that the Austin Convention Center employs directly, the Austin Convention Center has a contract with two staffing agencies, Texas Industries for the Blind and Handicapped (TIBH) and Allied Barton, to utilize as the staff demand for events arises.

Furthermore, the Convention Center also contracts with a vendor to provide catering and concessions services. This vendor provides staffing on-site to fulfill delivery of these services.